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SUBJ: IA-ECOSOC 9TH ANNUAL MEETING: DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
SZABO'S CLOSING STATEMENT

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1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF STATEMENT MADE BY U.S. DEL, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DANIEL SZABO, AT CLOSING SESSION OF IA-ECOSOC MEETING, SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 16. IN UNUSUAL DEPARTURE FROM PAST PRACTICES IN WHICH LATIN AMERICANS CHOSE ONE OF THEIR MEMBERS TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL DELEGATES, MR. SZABO WAS ASKED TO MAKE CLOSING SPEECH.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: SOMETHING SPECIAL HAS HAPPENED IN QUITO. AND NOTHING COULD BE MORE SYMBOLIC OF THAT FACT THAN MY SPEAKING ON THIS OCCASION FOR FIRST TIME IN THE YEARS I HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE WORK OF CIES. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I AM PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AT THIS CIES AS THE NEW ATMOSPHERE WE ALL PERCEIVE AND THE NEW POLICY OF MY
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GOVERNMENT TRULY REFLECT MY PERSONAL CONCEPTION OF WHAT

INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS SHOULD BE.

3. AS AMBASSADOR PITYY SUGGESTED YESTERDAY, CIES HAS HAD SOMETHING OF A CONFRONTATIONAL HISTORY. WE HAVE TURNED A NEW PAGE HERE IN THE ANNALS OF CIES AND, IN THIS FASHION, OUR MEETING CAN BE DESCRIBED AS A SIGNIFICANT FORWARD STEP IN U.S.-LATIN AMERICAN RELATIONS.

4. THUS I KNOW YOU APPRECIATE THAT MY DELEGATION AND I FEEL GREATLY HONORED BY OUR COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE CONFERRED ON US THE DISTINCTION OF ADDRESSING, ON THEIR BEHALF, THIS CLOSING SESSION OF THE 9TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL.

5. I FEEL A DOUBLE RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS MOMENT, A RESPONSIBILITY TO EXPRESS THE GRATITUDE WHICH WE ALL FEEL TO THE CITY OF QUITO AND TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF ECUADOR FOR THE MANY KINDNESSES WHICH WE ALL HAVE RECEIVED, AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PEOPLES OF THE HEMISPHERE, TO CONVEY TO THEM THESE SENSE OF A NEW SPIRIT WHICH INFUSED OUR DELIBERATIONS, A SPIRIT OF COMMON PURPOSE, THE SPIRIT OF TLATELOLCO.

6. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS MEETING OF CIES HAS BEEN MARKED, MORE THAN BY ANY OTHER THING, BY A SENSE OF URGENCY TO TAKE CONCRETE ACTION IN FULFILLMENT OF THE DECLARATION OF TLATELOLCO. WE HAVE ALL FELT AN URGENT NEED TO TRANSLATE THE SPIRIT OF A CHANGING RELATIONSHIP INTO SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS. WE HAVE PLEDGED OURSELVES TO APPLY NEW VIGOR, DIRECTION, AND RELEVANCE TO THE WORK OF THIS COUNCIL THROUGH ACTION ON SPECIFIC MATTERS IN ITS SPHERE OF COMPETENCE, AS SET FORTH IN THE CHARTER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES. WE HAVE SET IN TRAIN MECHANISMS BY WHICH WE CAN CONSULT ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. WE HAVE AGREED TO LOOK TO A STRENGTHENED SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION AND NEGOTIATION TO DEAL, AT FIRST, WITH MATTERS AFFECTING TRADE, BUT ALSO WITH OTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF OUR RELATIONSHIP. WE HAVE ALL AGREED THAT INCREASED INVOLVEMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM AND INTER-AMERICAN COOPERATION, PARTICULARLY THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, IS VITAL TO THIS PROCESS.

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7. WE LOOK TO THE NEXT MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN WASHINGTON AND TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MEETING IN ATLANTA, TO FURTHER OUR WORK IN THE COUNCIL, RECOGNIZING ITS IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE EFFORTS WHICH WE MUST MAKE TO IMPLEMENT OUR PURPOSES.

8. THE FOREIGN MINISTERS AT TLATELOLCO AGREED THAT "INTER-DEPENDENCE HAS BECOME A PHYSICAL AND MORAL IMPERATIVE, AND

THAT THEREFORE A NEW, VIGOROUS SPIRIT OF INTER-AMERICAN SOLIDARITY IS ESSENTIAL". WE, IN THIS HEMISPHERE, AND THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD, CAN RESPOND IN ONE OF TWO WAYS: EITHER PURSUING NARROW NATIONAL INTERESTS, OR PURSUING THE PATH OF COLLABORATION.

9. SECRETARY KISSINGER STATED, IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE CONFERENCE OF TLATELOLCO, THAT THE UNITED STATES IS PLEDGED TO THIS SECOND COURSE. AND IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT THAT OUR COUNTRIES ARE NOW ENGAGED IN THE UNITED NATIONS IN EXAMINING THE POSSIBILITIES OF RESTRUCTURING INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH THE PREPARATION OF A DRAFT CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, TO CREATE THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK FOR FACING SPECIFIC PROBLEMS THROUGH PRACTICAL AND FAIR REGULATIONS AND MECHANISMS.

10. MR. KUBISCH AND THE U.S. DELEGATION CAME TO THIS CONFERENCE COMMITTED TO THE "SPIRIT OF TLATELOLCO" AND WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF STRENGTHENING IT. THE TLATELOLCO MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS REPRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT IN U.S. POLICY TOWARD LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, A RENEWED RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO OUR RELATIONSHIPS IN THIS HEMISPHERE.

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11. THE U.S. DELEGATION SAW THIS MEETING AS AN IMPORTANT CHAPTER IN INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS, AS AN OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO CLARIFY OUR OWN GOALS AND PROPOSALS, AS SET FORTH BY SECRETARY KISSINGER IN MEXICO CITY, BUT TO BEGIN TO TRANSLATE THEM INTO CONCRETE STEPS.

12. THIS IS WHAT MOTIVATED THE ACTIONS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION ON THE VARIOUS TOPICS AND RESOLUTIONS DISCUSSED BY CIES HERE.

13. THIS IS WHY WE SUPPORT THE STRENGTHENING OF SCCN.

14. THIS IS WHY WE AGREED WITH OUR LATIN AMERICAN COLLEAGUES ON "THE NEED FOR ADOPTING MEASURES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO PRODUCE CONCRETE RESULTS", AS CALLED FOR BY THE REPORT OF CIES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, APPROVED LAST NIGHT.

15. THIS IS WHY THE U.S. OFFERED TO SUPPORT WHEREVER POSSIBLE INCLUSION OF PRODUCTS OF INTEREST TO LATIN AMERICA IN ITS PREFERENCE LIST.

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16. THIS IS WHY WE WISH TO PUT INTO EFFECT EFFECTIVE CONSULTATIVE PROCEDURES, IN MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND IN OTHER FIELDS SO AS TO BRING ABOUT THE FULFILLMENT OF BOTH YOUR AND OUR OBJECTIVES IN WORLD FORUMS.

17. THIS IS WHY WE ARE SEARCHING FOR MORE EFFECTIVE WAYS TO BRING ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO LATIN AMERICA AND TO LIMIT THE SCOPE OF CONTROVERSIES ARISING FROM MATTERS RELATED TO PRIVATE FOREIGN INVESTMENT.

18. IT WAS THE DESIRE OF THE U.S. DELEGATION HERE IN THE QUITO MEETING OF CIES TO HELP SHAPE THE PROCESS THAT BEGAN IN MEXICO CITY TOGETHER WITH OUR COLLEAGUES FROM LATIN AMERICA. AS MR. KUBISCH SAID IN HIS INFORMAL REMARKS IN THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE: "WE, THE UNITED STATES, CANNOT UNILATERALLY DETERMINE THE COURSE OF THE DIALOGUE AT THE FOREIGN MINISTERS' LEVEL, NOR HERE AT CIES NOR IN ANY OTHER INTER-AMERICAN FORUM. BUT THE AMERICAS, IN A COLLABORATIVE ENTERPRISE, CAN SHAPE THIS INTER-AMERICAN PROCESS AND THE RESULT CAN MAKE OUR REGION A MORE IMPORTANT AND CONSTRUCTION FORCE IN WORLD AFFAIRS."

19. I BELIEVE THAT I AM EXPRESSING THE SENSE AND FEELING OF ALL OUR MEMBERS IN SUGGESTING THAT WE ARE EMBARKED UPON AN EXCITING JOURNEY -- AND THAT IN QUITO, WHICH HAS PROVED TO BE A CRITICAL AND SUCCESSFUL PORT OF CALL ON THAT JOURNEY, WE

HAPPILY PAUSED FOR A FEW DAYS AND ARE NOW FURTHER INSPIRED TO
MOVE AHEAD TO REALIZE OUR GOALS OF JUSTICE, PEACE, AND HUMAN
DIGNITY.

20. IN CONCLUSION MAY I AGAIN EXPRESS THANKS OF ALL OF US TO
THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR, ESPECIALLY TO THE PRESIDENT OF CIES,
MINISTER OF FINANCE MONCAYO WHO CONDUCTED THE MEETINGS; FOR
CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN OF CIAP; TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE SECRETARIAT - INCLUDING TRANSLATORS AND INTERPRETERS -
AND ALL LOCAL PERSONNEL WHO MADE OUR MEETING SUCH A SUCCESS;
TO PRESS FOR OBJECTIVE PRESENTATION TO THE PUBLIC OF WHAT TOOK
PLACE IN CIES. END QUOTE.
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